

February Meeting

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Sanctuary
Management Plan Review**

Ecosystem Alteration Working Group - Draft Agenda

Date: 26 February 2004

Location: Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Office, Scituate, MA

TIME	TOPICS AND OBJECTIVES
8:00 – 8:15	Refresher on Rules, Structure of Action
8:15 – 8:30	Plan, Time Keeper, Agreement
8:30 – 8:45	Case Study of Ecosystem Impacts of the Nahant Pipeline
8:45 – 9:15	Presenter: Estrella, MADMF
9:15 – 9:30	Question for Estrella
9:30 – 9:45	Discussion of Cables & Pipelines Alternatives, Research Needs Cable Agreements, Recommendations or Options Pipeline Agreements, Recommendations or Options
9:45 – 10:00	Break -
10:00 – 10:45	NEFMC Summary of Essential Fish Habitat Gear Effect Evaluation & Adverse Impact Determination - Presenter: McGee Questions
10:45 – 11:00	Near Term Observations of the Effect of Smooth Bottom Net Trawl Fishing Gear on the Seabed - Presenter: Ryther, CR Environmental Questions
11:00 – 11:15	Effects of Scallop Gear on the Seabed - Presenter: Smolowitz Questions
11:15 – 11:30	Impacts of Mobile Gear (Otter Trawl and Scallop Dredge) on the Seabed - Presenter: Kaiser, WHOI
11:30 – 11:45	

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11:45 – 12:00 12:00 – 12:30 12:30 – 12:45	Questions
12:45-1:15	Lunch
1:15 – 3:30	Ecosystem Alteration Impacts of Mobile Fishing Gear: Agreements, Recommendations or Options
3:30- 3:45	Break
3:45 – 5:30	Research Recommendations
5:30 – 5:45	Next Meeting